

c) **Amendments to the Claims:**

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A diamond blade (31) for grinding or cutting workpieces, ~~the diamond blade comprising:~~

a wheel body (32) ~~having a radius about which said wheel body rotates and a periphery, said periphery defined by both outer surfaces of said wheel body and a peripheral edge therebetween; and~~

a rim type cutting tip (33) ~~for cutting or grinding workpieces, the rim type cutting tip being fixed to a periphery the circumference of said wheel body (32), said rim type cutting tip including:~~

at least two diamond layers (38, 38') including diamond particles (39), which are longitudinally disposed parallel with the rotation direction of the wheel body (32), the diamond layers including a plurality of diamond particles, to form microscopic cutting grooves (37', 37'') within the workpieces (37) during grinding or cutting operation; and

a non-diamond portion (35) disposed between the diamond layers in which diamond particles are not included (38, 38') to crush portions (40) of the workpieces (37) between the microscopic grooves (37', 37'') with a relatively larger size as the non-diamond portion (35) applies a relatively small friction and a rotation impact to the portions (40), in which the non-diamond portion (35) does not include the diamond particles (39).

Claims 2 - 3. (Cancelled)

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The diamond blade as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~the plurality of diamond particles (39) are in each diamond layer of the rim type cutting tip are distributed in forming a predetermined pattern of grider arrangement.~~

Claims 5 - 6. (Cancelled)

Claim 7. (Previously Amended) The diamond blade as claimed in claim 1, wherein said diamond particles in each diamond layer of the rim type cutting tip are randomly distributed.

Claim 8 (Canceled)

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Claims 17-18 (Canceled)